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In re Application of :  
Andrew Bishop :  
Application No. 09/840,663 : DECISION ON PETITION  
Filed: April 23, 2001 :  
Attorney Docket No. :  
STL6974.00 Q01-1066-US1 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 31, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely pay the issue and publication fees on or before June 27, 2007, as required by the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, mailed March 27, 2007. Accordingly, the date of abandonment of this application is June 28, 2007. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 23, 2007.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of payment of the issue fee of \$1,400 and the publication fee of \$300, (2) the petition fee of \$1,500, and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay. Accordingly, the issue and publication fees are accepted as being unintentionally delayed.

It is not apparent whether the person signing the statement of unintentional delay was in a position to have firsthand or direct knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the delay at issue. Nevertheless, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. See 37 CFR 10.18(b) and Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure; Final Rule Notice, 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53178 (October 10, 1997), 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 63, 103 (October 21, 1997). In the event that such an inquiry has

not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that it is not correct that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

It is noted that, on March 27, 2007, a notice of acceptance of the power of attorney to Seagate Technology LLC and a notice of acceptance of the withdrawal of the attorney to Hansra Patent Services were mailed. However, the acceptance of the power of attorney to Seagate was improper since no power of attorney was submitted for Seagate. Accordingly, the proper power of attorney documents must be submitted if Seagate wishes to continue to receive correspondence regarding this file.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This application is being referred to Publishing Division for appropriate processing in accordance with this decision on petition.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frances Hicks", is written over the printed name.

Frances Hicks  
Petitions Examiner  
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